Docket No.: 1454.1568

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

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Confirmation No.

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For: METHOD FOR DECODING DATA SEQUENCE ENCODED WITH AID OF BINARY
       CONVOLUTIONAL CODE (as amended)

<u>**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**</u>

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

     Before examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as
follows: